

## RESEARCH COORDINATOR

**Division:** Research and Planning

Reports to: Director of Research and Planning

Location: Nashville, TN

**Full-time/Part-time:** Full-time

Salary Grade: 30

Monthly Salary Range Minimum: \$3,541 FLSA Classification: Non-exempt (01)

#### **APPLICATION DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 3, 2013**

Critical features of this job are described under the headings below. They may be subject to change at any time due to changes in our business processes or other business-related reasons.

**Position Summary**: Responsible for the design, development, and execution of large and complex research and policy analysis, program evaluation, and technical assistance projects. Works in a team setting and may serve as team leader.

#### **ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

Essential duties and responsibilities include the following. Other duties may be assigned.

- Identifies, conceptualizes and executes research studies on the economic and social implications of housing policy:
  - Collaborates with division staff in both design and execution of projects where programmatic or field expertise is needed.
  - Builds and maintains relationships to collaborate with internal and external professional partners in housing and related fields in the accomplishment of policy analysis and research goals.
  - Designs data collection instruments.
  - o Sources, collects, and utilizes special purpose data for research projects.
  - Conducts complex quantitative and/or qualitative analyses.
  - o Leads others in the execution of large-scale research projects.
  - Analyzes and evaluates policy implications; presents relevant finds in writing and in multimedia through reports, articles, policy briefs, working papers, study findings, fact sheets and executive summaries.
- Sources, collects and utilizes special purpose data for research projects.
- Designs data collection instruments.
- Conducts complex quantitative and/or qualitative analyses.
- Builds relationships with external researchers and professionals in housing and related fields.
- Completes ad hoc reports in response to executive inquiries.
- Creates and gives multimedia presentations at venues across the state.
- Receives and responds to requests, in accordance with THDA customer service guidelines, for information from other divisions, the general public, private organizations, and other governmental agencies.
- Complete other technical, scientific and administrative projects as needed.

### **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS**

The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skills, and/or abilities required.

### **Education and Experience:**

- Bachelor's Degree in the social sciences, business, or closely related field including at least one course in statistics and one upper-division or graduate course in discipline-specific research methodology.
- Two years' full-time experience in research, planning, and/or analysis or a Master's degree in social sciences, business or closely related field.

The above qualifications express the minimum standards of education and/or experience for this position. Other combinations of education and experience, if evaluated as equivalent, may be taken into consideration.

# **Knowledge and Abilities:**

- Ability to handle multiple priorities and meet established deadlines.
- Ability to analyze and prepare reports from raw data.
- Experience with large datasets and quantitative analyses.
- Capacity to hypothesize, operationalize hypotheses, create a research design, execute research, analyze results using appropriate methods, and present results effectively in both verbal and written form.
- Ability to write professional and technical reports, involving combinations of maps, graphs, charts, tables and text, for diverse audiences.
- Builds and maintains positive relationships with internal and external constituents.
- Proficient in public speaking and relationship-building.
- Strong organizational skills.
- Strong time management skills; uses time effectively; consistently meets deadlines.
- Ability to exercise good judgment in evaluating complex situations.
- Ability to adjust to frequent procedural change.
- Documents regularly, thoroughly, accurately, and completely.
- High level of attention to detail and accuracy.
- Exercises good and consistently fair judgment, courtesy, and tact in dealing with the staff and public in giving and obtaining information.
- Ability to work effectively as part of a multi-disciplinary team.
- Computer literate; proficient in Microsoft Word, Excel, and Outlook, experience with statistical software: either SPSS (preferred).

Please click the following link to apply:

https://ch.tbe.taleo.net/CH12/ats/careers/jobSearch.jsp?org=THDA2&cws=1

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